

Guidelines pertaining to the upgrade of M Phil to PhD

Candidates who are interested in upgrading their degree status from M.Phil. to Ph.D., should follow the guidelines and fulfill the requirements given below.

1. The applicant should have completed minimum one year of research in the M.Phil. programme. The duration is counted from the date of registration of MPhil.
2. The applicant should have submitted all progress reports (for six months) at the time of the request.
3. The applicant should submit the following to be considered for the upgrade.
 - I. Cover letter of request to the Dean, Faculty of Graduate studies, University of Ruhuna through the Principal Supervisor of the project, Head of the Department of Study, Chairperson of Board of Study in Medicine, University of Ruhuna
 - II. Maximum of two page summary of M.Phil. work completed and one page summary of proposed PhD (Synopsis)
 - III. Research proposal highlighting M.Phil. work already completed, remaining M.Phil. work to be completed, new research proposed for PhD with the justification of the upgrade .
 - IV. Evidence for publications made from the M Phil research project (abstracts, full papers in indexed and referred journals, short papers, full papers in published in conferences etc.- Photocopies of the publications should be attached .
 - V. Gantt chart mentioning key performance indicators for the remaining M.Phil work and for the proposed PhD separately
 - VI. The revised budget
 - VII. A letter of recommendation of the principal supervisor
 - VIII. A letter of approval for the upgrading from the applicants' permanent place of work (through Head, Dean, VC) and leave for the continuation of the post graduate
 - IX. A copy of the Ethical Clearance Letter (if relevant)